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Liberal Wins Bagot Contest By 473 Votes

Quebec Federal Seat Rendered Vacant by Death of Member-Elect Again Returns Liberal Supporter

Majority Jumps By Three Hundred

Mr. G. D. Morin Victor in By-Election—Hon. Andre Fauteux, Conservative Candidate, Beaten Again

ATTONVILLE, Que., Dec. 7.—Bagot remains Liberal, but with the majority considerably reduced as a result of today's election. Returns by long-distance telephones give a majority to G. D. Morin, Liberal, of 473. In the general election the Liberal majority was 774.

Early returns from the town of Actonville indicated that the Liberal majority might be wiped out altogether. In this, the only town in the whole constituency, a majority of 278 secured in the general election was reduced to eighty-two.

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In Upstate the Liberal majority dropped by four; in St. Christina, from 110 to 88; in St. Andre, from 58 to 20; in St. Domingue, from 181 to 105; in St. Liboire, from 107 to 87. In not a single polling subdivision, so far as figures available indicate, was there a reversal in party sentiment.

St. Rosalie, the recognised Conservative parish of the county, did not give the majority for Mr. Fauteux which his supporters had expected. In the general elections his majority was 178. Today it was 141. Mr. Morin maintained his new lead over his Conservative opponent, Hon. Andre Fauteux.

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OTTAWA, Dec. 7.—The election of G. D. Morin, Liberal, to represent the constituency of Bagot in the House of Commons means the Government probably will meet Parliament with 101 Liberal supporters as against the Conservatives' 117.

The remaining seats will be occupied by twenty-four Conservatives, two Labour members and one Independent. The composition of the House may be altered as a result of recounts, but the above is the standing of the parties at present.

Majorities Reduced

The constituency of Hagot has been in the Liberal column since 1900, when J. Marcell, the former member, won it for the Conservatives by a majority of 156. Mr. Marcell represented the constituency continuously until his death, just after the last general elections. Prior to 1900 it had been almost as consistently Conservative.

Chinese Tong War May Follow Clash

One Oriental Dead, One Dying and Another Wounded in Mexican Battle

MEXICALI, L.C., Dec. 7.—A new Chinese tong war is anticipated by police here as the result of a shooting affray today. One Chinese was killed, another was wounded, and a third is in a hospital with bullet wounds in both legs.

Police were told that the three men were attacked when a fourth Chinese became crazed and ran amok. Authorities doubt this, however, and are rounding up tong leaders for questioning.

Smoke and Ice Go

LONDON, Dec. 7.—The frost and ice which have given London its first taste of Christmas weather disappeared today as is usually the case in the country. Just as London people were getting used to the cold weather,

All Hope Abandoned For Missing Vessel

Steamer Cotopaxi Believed Lost With Crew of Thirty—Long Overdue at Havana

KEY WEST, Dec. 7.—Virtually all hope has been abandoned for the finding of the steamer Cotopaxi, which left Charleston November 29 bound for Havana with a cargo of coal, and which has not been heard from since last Tuesday, when S. O. S. signals were received from the vessel. It was thought possible that she had been captured by pirates.

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MONROVIA, Dec. 7.—A reminder of how the hunter has become the hunted was provided today by the arrest of fifteen former executioners under the Czarist regime, charged with having strangled to death 500 revolutionaries.

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The News

MONTREAL, Dec. 7.—Mormon night session of Provincial House sits far into morning as Opposition members challenge every estimate presented in committee of supply.

Dominion, Imperial and Foreign—

U.S. Congress opens at Washington.

Manchurian war, lord reported

to take refuge flight.

Greece now object to complying

with League order to compensate Bulgaria for invasion.

The Balkans implicated in espionage plot discovered in Paris.

Minister of Agriculture Wins at British Polls



Premier Tells Why Credit Letters Given

Hon. John Oliver Explains Reasons for Guaranteeing Over-Commitments on University Contract

"Nothing Wrong or Unconstitutional"

Knows No Reason for Not Giving Authority—Will Abide by Decision of House

THE statement by the Leader of the Opposition here as to the consequences of the passage of the British Columbia University Loan Act until the full extent possible light had been shed on the whole circumstances of the over-committments, and a statement by Premier Oliver respecting the letters, given by him to the Rev. J. Ryan, Contrasting Nominees Ltd., for the debate on the second reading of the bill in the Legislature last night. Premier Oliver, after defining his position, and denying that he had acted unconstitutionally, acceded to the demand of Mr. H. R. Pooley, further defining his position.

The debate was followed by the formal presentation of the evidence taken before the Public Accounts Committee in connection with the subject.

Mr. Pooley, in opening his remarks, stated that the Canadian Institute, college known before the last session of the House that the vote had been over-committed.

Statement Challenged

Hon. Mr. MacLean—"I challenge that statement."

Mr. Pooley—"If you will adjourn this debate for about two minutes I will get the transcript of sworn evidence and prove it."

Lord Birkenhead said that the question should be deferred until such time as the whole of the facts were in the possession of the members. He was opposed to the passage of the bill and the Opposition would oppose it until the fullest light was shed on the whole subject.

Mr. Pooley, in closing his remarks, accepted the invitation from the Brotherhood of the Centennial Church to address the meeting on the following subjects:

Smoke Watershed.

1. Whether it is financially advisable to dispose of the timber at the present time?

2. If so, what precautions are to be taken to prevent destruction of small trees and damage to the soil by fire, and are these precautions to be embodied in the agreement?

3. Terms and amount in payment?

Reverted Lots

1. What proportion of the amounts received from the sale of reverted lots is placed to the credit of sinking funds?

2. Has a policy been decided to utilize some of these lots for park purposes?

3. Is it necessary to provide for re-pairs or replacement to the existing plant at the present or immediate future?

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All aldermanic candidates have been invited to attend.

Young Girl Spy Held in Paris

Three Britons Also Held by French Police—Aircraft Spying on Woman

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Final Cost of University
Will Be \$4,229,000

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roads, sidewalks. The sum estimated to cover expenditure for 1925 would be \$1,229,000. The buildings would be erected, drying shed, incinerator, sidewalk, roads and various work in and about the buildings, estimated to cost \$100,000.

The Minister said they could not come to an agreement with the municipality of Point Grey in regard to the provision of gas mains, water storage, etc.

Mr. George Walken, Point Grey, said it is not right. There was an agreement, but the Minister of Lands arbitrarily upset it.

Mr. Maclean: "Well, apparently, they got to the stage of having 'conversations' on the matter." Continued.

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Halves, per lb.	44c		
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Brisket Beef, lb. 8¢ and 9¢		Minced Beef, lb. 10¢	
Pot Roasts, lb. 10¢ and 12¢		Round Steaks, 2 lbs. 35¢	

French to Bear Heavy Taxation If Bill Is Passed

Tobacco, Alcohol, Income, Business Profits, Railroad Fares and Telegraph Rates All Targets of Minister

PARIS, Dec. 7.—An increase in the price of tobacco and alcohol ranging from fifty to 100 per cent is expected to form an important part of the eight million francs additional revenue for which M. Loucheur's financial bill provides.

M. Loucheur outlined his bill at a cabinet council today, preparatory to laying it before a full council of ministers tomorrow. He said the final eight billion francs would only be available in the 1927 budget as some leniency would be granted the taxpayer in view of the burdens they have already borne.

An increase in railroad fares and telegraph and telephone rates is also reported to be a part of the additional revenues.

The creation of an amortization fund and an increase of taxation in the payment of taxes, a general increase in the income tax on business profits, are other items of the bill which the minister has about ready to submit.

He said: "I shall immediately become responsible for my ministry's financial difficulties. When France is safely out of its present difficulties Frenchmen will thank me."

Premier Tells Why His Credit Letter Given

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the contracting company from the proceedings of the House.

Premier's Statement

The Legislature listened closely to an explanation given by Premier Oliver of his action in giving letters of credit to the contractor in connection with the money owing him in connection with the University buildings.

"It is quite true," said the Premier, "that there were over-committments. It is also true, quite true, that the Government was not aware of them at the time. I deny that the Government had any knowledge of them at all. The letter that reached the statements of Opposition members are not at all in accordance with fact. Any man Government would have preferred, as we would have preferred, to have come to the House and ask for authorization of all moneys required for public works, rather than have to meet the position that has arisen around us now."

Major Burde: "Why did you put off the evil day?" (Opposition hear, hear.)

The Premier: "There is something in that, you can see, that the opposition is getting out the same (Liberal) slogan, however, we don't feel like shedding tears over it."

Major Burde: "There are many tears in store to be shed yet." (Opposition cheer.)

Willing to Abide by Decision

The Premier: "I have nothing to hide in the matter. The contractor was entitled to his pay periodically, according to the terms of his contract. It is quite true, owing to the oversight, that money was not available when it was due, and we can easily understand that he became exercised in mind about it. There was a large sum of money owing to him, and the contractor carried the bank by having a letter such as I gave him, I don't see any good reason why the letter should not have been given him."

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"Nothing Unconstitutional"

The letters I gave the contractor were not unconstitutional, as has been charged against me," said the Premier. "My friends opposite cannot say anything in the constitution against giving them or that I did anything unconstitutional in giving them. Those letters have been represented in newspapers that should know better, as having been written by me to get credit from the bank."

"I have been asked on the street what I did with the money," he said. "I did not get any money." It is said that I committed the Province, in guaranteeing the money. The letters were never acknowledged by me, nor that the Government owed the money to the contractor, and it was also a statement to the bank that when the Legislature provided the money, as they have it.

I have contended in view of the circumstances, the Premier's salary should not be voted.

Major Burde: "You might be Premier yourself when the time comes around, and there will be no salary for you" (Laughter).

Illegal Action

The Premier took a point of order, that he had not transgressed Section 24 or Section 24 of the Audit Act, as Mr. Pooley alleged.

Mr. Pooley: "It is due to the illegal action of the Premier that the Deputy Minister of Public Works directed his accountant that the voucher would be paid."

The Premier: "There are six legal members in the Opposition, as they all agree with their leaders?

Mr. H. D. Twiss, Victoria: "I don't mind the letter, but I object to the object in it, in sending it to the Auditor."

The Premier: "The object I had in view is best illustrated in the letter I wrote."

After reading the letter, the Premier said he had not guaranteed the payment of the interest at 7 per cent.

"What about the memorandum attached to the letter, indicating that you signed it by you to Premier to Mr. E. J. Ryan. It is read in Part: 'In [redacted] of cheque' referring to the letter isn't that acknowledgement on your part that that letter was intended as a guarantee?" Mr. Ryan responded on that letter and the other one you sent him. The Province was in the straits

Victoria Audience Rapturously Applauds Anna Case in Recital

Royal Victoria Theatre Scene of Demonstrative Enthusiasm When Singer Closes Programme of Amazing Beauty—Encores Graciously Given

The Royal Victoria Theatre was the scene of an enthusiastic demonstration last evening on the occasion of the Anna Case recital. Audiences, young and old, were a radiant memory whom Victoria will long to hear and see again when the Ladies' Musical Club or some other equally brilliant power sees fit to bring her back again. Both by her art and personality she took all hearts by storm.

Anna Case's art has marvelous qualities. It is not only that the whole sum of her voice is drenched with beauty which makes any single note a thing of surpassing joy, but there is behind it all a superlative artistry, a keen perception of the art in the song itself, a delicate appreciation of the words, and an understanding of the words and music.

The singer was a pure under absolute control. Bachmannoff's "Lisez-moi," a fragrant, winsome poem sung in pianissimo; Farley's "Night Wind," with its wonderful crescendo of tone in the mimicked wall; "Byron's Song," heartbreakingly plaintive, and "The Answer," radiant in its sheer joy.

Her art has no flaw in anything that pertains to diction or phrasing. Rarely does one hear such beautiful use of the consonants. Although she sang in no less than four languages, even a slight acquaintance was enough with which to follow where words were so purely enunciated.

Her singing is a thing in itself, the same in plastic and precise, liquid and yet cushioned, and always of transporting beauty and color.

In Mr. Max Jaffe the singer had an accompanist who is a genuine artist.

Several encores were added during, and at the close of the programme, and the curtain stage setting was enhanced by baskets and bouquets of flowers which were presented to the singer.

position of being financed by a contractor."

Premier Oliver still maintained that neither letter had been a guarantee, nor had they been used as guarantees.

Financing Government

Mr. H. P. Kargin (Labour) said that the letter he received showed in the Public Accounts Committee inquiry that Mr. Ryan had financed on the strength of the two letters. He believed that Mr. Ryan was still in possession of the documents.

Mr. Pooley—Mr. James Brooks, one of the sub-contractors who supplied furniture to the House, drawing \$2,000 monthly, indicated that he had not been paid in full within three weeks of the date when he gave evidence, which was November 27.

A vote was taken which resulted in a division of 29 to 15 in favor of the Government forces.

Attack was then made on the Auditor of Accounts. Mr. E. D. Harrow and an amendment was adopted by the Opposition against payment of his salary on the grounds of inefficiency. In this connection Mr. Pooley charged the minister with having failed, through incompetence, to properly administer the Human Relations project, the Merville settlement plan and the Creswell settlement plan.

Considerable discussion occurred, ending in a vote at 1:29 a.m. The House divided as it had on the previous vote.

Premier's Memorandum

The statement set out the details of the memorandum the House committee on the University, calling particular attention to a memo attached to a copy of the Premier's first letter of October 8 to the Ryan Company.

This memo was signed by the Deputy Minister of Public Works, and was directed to the Chief Clerk and Accountant of the Public Works Department.

It authorized him to issue similar letters "In Heu de quech" for further accounts of the contractors.

A second letter to the Ryan Company was issued, declared Mr. Pooley, according to the instructions contained in the memo. It was signed by the Premier. It was issued on November 2, the day after the Legislative Assembly adjourned. It was directed to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, committed the University over-committments to the Legislature, and, said the Opposition leader, even the Lieutenant-Governor was powerless to deal with financial matters.

After the Premier had opened, Premier Oliver, he contendend, by giving a letter promising to pay to the bank on account of the contractor, \$12,900, with seven per cent interest, had broken Sections 23 and 24 of the Audit Act, and had usurped the powers and prerogatives of the Legislature, as contained in the Audit Act.

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BANK OF MONTREAL

A banking institution which has been built up on the basis of a perennially sound and conservative policy becomes a national asset as well as a source of satisfaction to its shareholders. The Bank of Montreal, which has just issued its annual statement for the year ending October 31, is such an institution. It is emblematic of the financial prestige and credit of the Dominion and through a process of merging with other institutions it is better able all the time to meet the demands upon its services. That bank, now one of the greatest there is in the extent of capital and business, has assets that amount to \$755,147,876. It has deposits of \$600,000,000. In the promotion of industrial and commercial undertakings it has advanced amounts in the Dominion aggregating \$225,000,000. The profits for the past fiscal year represent a sum of \$4,604,962, and out of this amount it has been possible to pay dividends at the rate of 14 per cent on a capital of \$29,916,700, supported by a reserve of the same amount.

The Bank of Montreal has gathered strength during the year. It has increased a clientele already great. Its affairs are conducted with vision, and always with special reference to the development of the Dominion wherein its principal interests are centred. The directing ability of Sir Frederick Williams Taylor, the General Manager, is an asset of the highest importance to its progress, and in that progress is reflected the financial strength of Canada.

EDUCATIONAL STATISTICS

In their report upon the Provincial school system the Survey Commissioners have been at pains to furnish the public with a picture of our educational arrangements partly by means of long columns of figures, diagrams and graphs, and partly by way of verbal description. In any such picture the human element is no doubt the most important. The school registers contain the names of nearly 100,000 pupils. They are credited with intelligence quotients, which on the whole are distinctly higher than those of their cousins and more distant relatives across the international boundary. In actual achievement as well as in native capacity the records for both elementary and high schools afford ground for solid satisfaction.

A good deal of interest centres about the three thousand teachers in charge of all these pupils. It is a legitimate interest for a variety of reasons. One of these is that the public must look after the pay roll. The sum paid out in salaries is, no trifile. It appears that the ladies outnumber the men three to one, and the unmarried teachers outnumber the married four to one. In a group of twenty representative teachers the age records would run as follows: One would be less than twenty years old, eight would be between twenty and twenty-five, six between twenty-five and thirty-five, and five above thirty-five. The medium age is about twenty-five. Classified according to birthplace, they would form four groups. Those born in the Province would number six, those born in other provinces of Canada another six, those born in the Old Country five, and those from the United States and elsewhere, three. Classified by length of teaching service three of a representative twenty have taught less than two years, six have taught more than two years and less than five, five have taught from five to ten years, two from ten to twenty, and two for more than twenty years. In point of scholastic standing our group of twenty representative teachers would form four classes. Those with university degrees are three in number. Five have first and ten have second class certificates. One holds but a third class diploma. The salary record shows that three out of twenty are in receipt of less than \$1,000 annually, fourteen have between \$1,000 and \$2,000, and three have more than \$2,000.

The housing of the school population is described in a paragraph which deserves to be quoted at length. "Some of the pupils are in modern buildings, as complete as are to be found on the American continent. Some are in comfortable frame buildings in small towns or amid ideal rural surroundings. Many are in remote and lovely places beside a lake, under a towering mountain capped with snow, or on an arid plateau where all vegetation is brown and dusty. Some are on beautiful but lonely islands in the Pacific, where the settler is part farmer, part fisherman, and part lumberman. Some are on steep mountain sides in 'company towns,' where tall chimneys of pulp mill or smelter form the centre of a busy industrial life. Some are close to the water on an arm of the sea, which is the outlet of a salmon river, and the site of a cannery factory, and

some stand on ground over coal mines. Some have ideal surroundings, but the school buildings themselves are primitive and very small. Many are built of logs. Some are not larger than 15 by 18 feet with a ceiling just above your head. Some have attractive grounds, some have bare and unattractive yards, and some are built on rocks. In a number of them the children show unmistakable signs of Indian blood. Some of these buildings are tidy and clean inside, and some sadly in need of paint, whitewash and soap." The Colonist is pleased to rescue this description from burial in a Government report.

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION

The B. C. Executive of the Trades and Labor Council is asking for amendments to the Workmen's Compensation Act and some of those amendments possess merit. One contention made is that a workman should be permitted, in a case of dispute with the Workmen's Compensation Board, to appeal from the Medical Referee to an independent tribunal. That tribunal it is proposed, should consist of three members of the Medical Council of the Province, one to be chosen by the workmen, one by the Compensation Board and the third by these appointees.

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The men have adopted the trousers of civilization as a general rule, although they wear little or nothing else. But they retain the custom of wearing wreaths of flowers about their heads or a flower behind the ear.

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Capt. Eastman and Mr. J. Angus, of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, identified the body and the tattooing on it ashore. Identification of the body was made by Mr. Benjamin Hanson, who had seen deceased last on the Tug Hope on the night of the accident. Both he and Sergeant Robert Owens, of the Provincial Police, made positive identification of the body by means of marks and the clothing that was worn.

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Sumas Men State Position On Taxation

Maximum Amount They Can Stand Is \$6 an Acre, Agricultural Committee Is Informed

Protests Heard for Compassionate Aid

Farmers Did Not Know of Excess Figures Till 1923—Helpless, They Could Do Nothing

The maximum taxation that can be borne by the Sumas lands is \$6 an acre, according to witnesses who appeared before the Agriculture Committee of the Legislature yesterday morning in protest against the enactment of Bill 10 to amend the assessment of the Dyking Commissioners on the properties affected by the reclamation work. On behalf of the land owners, Mr. David Whiteside stated that the proposed legislation would shut off the appeals that the farmers had lodged with the courts. Premier Oliver explained the situation, stating that this contention was only partially correct.

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Reeve C. A. Lamson, of Sumas, said that the maximum taxation on the lands of the district could be kept in the opinion of the town, and that they cannot go beyond the taxable limit they can carry, and they ask relief above that."

In reply to Premier Oliver, Reeve Lamson stated he had sold his oats last year for \$25.60 a ton on board the Tug Hope.

The previous year the selling price had been between \$30 and \$25. It would cost \$20.60 a ton to raise oats if he allowed labor charges. He stated that good lands had recently sold in the district for \$35 an acre, which was all that could be obtained because of the high taxation charges.

May Have to Quit

Mr. Edward McPhail explained that he was farming twenty acres of his land on forty acres that he rented. His plan was to have the farms under observation by the extension department of the University of British Columbia, and he produced figures compiled by the university staff showing production costs. The costs estimated for the production of a ton of oats were \$1.10, and those quoted by Reeve Lamson. Any tax in excess of \$5 an acre would prove to be a burden, he said.

"My land is about the average," he explained, "and on it I have made a living for myself and family. The rates assessed against me amount to \$3.44 an acre if this continues then I will have to leave." The dyke built, he said, I admit quite freely, but when land is burdened with \$1.10 an acre capital charge it is more than it can bear. If you are going to put a bunch of Chinamen on it all right, for they may be able to live there, but I cannot see so many."

In answer to a question by General Odium, the witness said that before the dyke had been constructed he had been offered \$250 an acre for his land, but now he could not get half of that for it.

Mr. James Cook, testified, saying that in his opinion the maximum that the land could carry was 15 an acre.

Mr. Will Sell at Cost

Mr. Angus Campbell, who had been a member of the advisory board which had been formed in the early stages of the undertaking, but was later found to be without powers, said he had been offered \$250 an acre and could be charged for the land taxes. He had been farming in the district for twenty-seven years. He could not say exactly what his lands were worth, but stated that the last purchase he had made was about four years ago. He paid \$113 an acre and had to pay \$1.10 an acre in taxes, and was quite willing to sell for what he paid.

Premier Oliver: "If 14 an acre is all that you can stand then it must mean that you have made a bad bargain. Does it not mean that you would get less than six per cent interest on your money?"

Mr. Campbell: "We farmers have to get along with less than six per cent."

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did not know that the estimate of \$1,800,000 was being exceeded until May, 1923, when they were informed that there had been an investment to that date of \$2,200,000 and that the total cost would probably go to \$3,000,000. It eventually approximated \$3,400,000.

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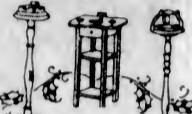
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Society and Women's Affairs

Honor Singer

The executive of the Ladies' Musical Club held a delightful reception at the home of Mrs. D. E. Campbell, Linden Avenue, Sunday, in honor of Miss Anna Case, the former star of the Metropolitan Opera, who appeared in recital last evening at the Royal Victoria Theatre. The hostess was assisted in receiving the numerous guests by the president, Mrs. S. MacLure. The tea table was prettily decorated with pale pink carnations and pink candies in silver sconces. Among the guests present were Mrs. Walter C. Nichol, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Cameron, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hoard, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Kent, Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Schindler, Mr. and Mrs. George Buckley, Mr. and Mrs. J. Q. Gillian, Mr. and Mrs. McFadven, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Gibson, Mrs. Brian T. Drake, Mrs. Gideon Hicks, Mrs. Douglas B. McConna, Mrs. Jess Longfield, Mrs. Forrest Leader, Mrs. McCoy Jameson, Mrs. Senkler, Mrs. H. Hamlett, Mrs. Harry Lasonby, Mrs. Ethel Duncan McFarlab, Mrs. Charles Wilson, Professor Russell, Misses Russell, Mrs. Barbara Gibson, Miss Beatrice Hicks and many others.

Successful Bazaar

A very successful bazaar and exhibition was held by the Victoria Women's Institute on Saturday. The following ladies were in charge: General convenor, Mrs. Colby; plain sewing, Mrs. Hale and Mrs. Hill; cooking and candy, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Steer and Mrs. Laird; bran tub, Mrs. G. C. Campbell; afternoon tea, Mrs. Urquhart, Mrs. Terry, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Nicolson, Mrs. Wilkinson; charge of exhibition, Mrs. McCoubrey. The judging was done by Miss Parks of Spencer's, and the prizes were given by Mr. W. C. Campbell, president, to the following ladies: Embroidery, 1, Mrs. McCoubrey; 2, Mrs. Hill; crochet, Mrs. Hill; knitting, Miss Muir; cake, Mrs. Colby. In the evening an enjoyable dance was held, Mr. C. Sanders' orchestra supplying the music, and an exhibition of the new dances was given by Mrs. Musket and Mrs. Nicolson. Mrs. Hale and Mrs. C.

Campbell were hostesses for the evening. The lucky winners of the drawings were as follows: Candy, Mrs. McCoubrey and Mr. Over; cushion, Mrs. Colby; prize cake, Mrs. Kerr.

Music-Arts Tea

The silver tea held by the Music and Arts Club Saturday afternoon to raise funds for Christmas hampers, was a tremendous success. Captain Graide, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Ker, Major and Mrs. Selden Humphreys, Dr. and Mrs. Ridewood, Mrs. C. E. Thomas and Mr. Carew Martin.

Lunch Party

Mrs. W. H. Sutherland, Foul Bay Road, entertained at a lunch party yesterday in honor of Mrs. J. A. Stewart and Misses Henderson of Perth. Chrysanthemums were used in the table decoration.

Highway

Mr. E. Stockill, assistant to the vice-president of the Canadian Pacific Railway, western lines, is a visitor to the city, having arrived yesterday. Mr. Stockill is on a periodical visit and conferred with local officials.

Returns From England

Mr. Oliver Pauline has just returned from England, where he has been visiting his father, the Agent-General for British Columbia, and is staying with his aunt, Mrs. Mortimer Appleby, 940 Foul Bay Road.

To Hold Dance

The dance arranged by St. Mary's Recreation Club for Friday, November 27, and which was postponed until a later date, will be held in St. Mary's Hall, Oak Bay, on Thursday evening.

Bacardi Trip

Mr. J. W. Hudson, Provincial supervisor for the North American Life Assurance Company, has returned to the city after a month's business trip to Northern British Columbia.

Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Palmer, 3453 Quadra Street, announce the engagement of their second daughter, Grace Helena, to Harold A. White, 351 Bushby Street.

Returned from Europe

Mr. R. C. J. Were returned to the city on Saturday after visiting relatives in Europe.

From Vancouver

Mr. N. F. Fullen, editor of Telephone Talk, was in the city yesterday on company business.

In Vancouver

Dr. and Mrs. Max Inglis, of Prospect Place, Oak Bay, have gone to Vancouver for a few weeks.

Women's Clubs and Societies

St. Luke's Bazaar

The second anniversary banquet of St. Luke's Cedar Hill Bazaar was a great success and the sum of \$205 was realized. The affair was opened by Mrs. Archbold. Little Miss Kathleen Denner presenting her with a bouquet of flowers.

Bridge Party

At a successful bridge party, held at Cranleigh House School in aid of the gymnasium fund, the priam was won by Mr. Musket and Mrs. Musker. Mr. Gane, ticket number thirty-eight, was the winner of the bicycle raffled for in connection with the same fund.

Party for Bride-Elect

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Ker, Linden Avenue, were hosts at a supper party, Sunday, in honor of Miss Davida Ker.

CHRISTMAS IN OLD COUNTRY

Travel to the Old Country is again made convenient for passengers this year through the special "Juliette" service, now being offered by the Canadian Pacific Railway.

Tourist sleeping cars will be carried through to ships' side at Saint John, N.B., leaving Vancouver as follows:

November 23 for sailing of "Montrose" to Liverpool, December 5.

December 4 for sailing of "Maitland" to Cherbourg, Southampton and Antwerp, December 10.

December 5 for sailing of "Metagama" to Liverpool, December 11.

December 10 for sailing of "Monteclaro" to Liverpool, December 12.

December 17 for sailing of "Montairn" to Liverpool, December 23.

For further information and reservations apply at ticket offices at 1102 Government Street.

Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Esquimalt Women's Institute will be held in the Parish Hall this evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Navy League Chapter

The regular monthly meeting of the Navy League Chapter of the I.O.D.E. will take place at headquarters, Hanley Building, Friday, at 3:45 p.m.

Hospital Meeting

The Ladies' Auxiliary of St. Joseph's Hospital will hold its regular monthly business meeting on Friday at 3 o'clock.

Marguerite Chapter

The Marguerite Chapter, I.O.D.E., will hold its regular meeting at the home of Mrs. David Miller, 824 McClure Street, at 8 o'clock.

Speaker of U.S. House

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—Nicholas Longworth, Republican, today, was elected Speaker of the new House.

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Big Bazaar Is Held By Esquimalt Guides

Mrs. W. C. Nichol Visits Guides
and Brownies and Becomes
Godmother of Doll

Esquimalt Guides and Brownies
were honored by a visit from their
Provincial commissioner, Mrs. W. C.
Nichol, Saturday afternoon, at the
bazaar held by them in the church
house, 107 St. Garrison Church,
an event which proved most success-
ful, both socially and financially.

Mrs. Alice Pooley performed the
opening ceremony, and at the con-
clusion of her bright address was
presented with a beautiful bouquet by
Guide Marguerite Elliott.

The Guides had a wonderful col-
lection of needfuls for their home-work stall,
including their famous needlework,
candles, and articles. Dainty ribbon goods,
hand-painted calendars and stencilled
articles were especially admired.
Their skill as young housewives was
demonstrated by their contributions
of tempting cakes, and the home-work
stall, presided over by Leader Isabel Hunter and Dorothy
Hornbrook. Leader Teeny Saddier
and Valentine Ireland had in their
care a "lucky dip" full of desirable
treasures.

Needlework Excellent

The Brownie stall, in charge of
Sixers Muriel Rudd, Peggy McDow-
ald, Jean Hansen and Thelma
Wade, was a collection of needlework,
candles, and candies. In all three sub-
stantial contributions had been made
by kind friends, but surprisingly
good work had been accomplished by the
Brownies themselves, some pretty
pieces of fancy work and dressed
garments being shown. Many of the
young girls were of age. Really
delicious candies were manufactured
by them, and several cakes made by
these small people were equal to any
grown folk could turn out.

A feature of the Brownie display
was a doll offered as a prize to the
first person guessing its name. Mrs.
Nichol gracefully accepted the
choice of godmother and her
choice of the name Alexandra, in
memory of the late Queen Mother.
Mrs. Nichol entertained a large
party at tea, which was served by the
Guides, a musical programme being
supplied by the Brownies, including
piano solos by Phyllis Phillips,
Doris Koch and Muriel Rudd, and
recitations by Lilian Elston. Mes-
dames Saddier, Scott, Warr and Phillips
kindly assisted the girls by taking
charge of the kitchen.

Large Attendance
Guide officials present included, besides the Provincial commissioner, Miss Mercer, deputy Provincial commissioner; Mrs. Hobbs, Gilligan, Victoria commissioner; Mrs. Kinloch, Duncan, Commissioner; Staff Captain Miss Leighton Williams and Miss Ryan, Misses Williams and Miss Ryan, Misses Leighton, L. Bowron and M. Wigley represented the local Girl Guides' Association. Other guests included Miss Alice Pooley, Chapman, Major Chaplin and Mrs. Shamer, Lieutenant and Mrs. Giles, Beve R. P. Matheson, Mrs. Warden, Mr. and Mrs. Sharples, and members of the I.O.D.E. Women's Institutes, Scottish Daughters Child Hygiene Council and Kumtuk Club.

Captain Miss Dorothy Giles, on behalf of the Esquimalt Guides, presented a
brownie to Mrs. Matheson, for the
Brownies desire to thank very
heartily all the kind friends who so
generously gave their support and
goodwill to the undertaking.

Mr. Dobson, of Nanaimo, was
best man.

Following the ceremony a reception
was held at the home of the bride's
parents, who are Mr. and Mrs. Duckitt.
The groom's gift to the bride was
the Rev. C. H. Popham. The bride,
who was given in marriage by her
father, looked charming in her gown
of ivory duchesse satin, over which
was worn a French tunic of beads and
sequins. Her veil of silk-embroidered
beads was bound to the head in cap-
sule with a black lace band. She
carried a shower bouquet of Ophelia
roses, carnations and maidenhair fern.

The bridesmaid, Miss Neille Squires,
from New Westminster, wore a most
becoming frock of aches of roses satin,
with sequins, beads and sequins
and silver brocade bands. She
carried an arm bouquet of carnations,
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The groom's gift to the bride was
a handsome fox and leather vanity
case, and the bride's gift to the groom
was a gold signet ring, while the groom's
gift to the bridesmaid was a leather
handbag, and to the best man only
five links.

Later, Mr. and Mrs. Duckitt left for
Vancouver, en route for Alta Lake,
where the honeymoon will be spent,
the bride traveling in a coat of plaid
marvels with collar and side flares
in rose, green, black, tan and grey,
trimmed with fur and georgette
and silver brocade black matting.

Among the numerous wedding gifts
was a handsome set of cutlery from
the Provincial Boiler Inspection Service
staff.

Manitoba Legislature

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toba Legislature will be convened on
January 21, in accordance with an
order-in-council issued today. This
is considerably later than that of last
and previous years, due to a change in
the fiscal year.

Farmer Prone to Death

BRANDON, Dec. 7.—Missing for
forty-eight hours, the frozen body of
James Gibson, seventy-eight, a re-
tired farmer, was found several miles from home.
Mr. Gibson left his home early Friday
for Brandon.

Following is a list of those to whom
the society wishes to express thanks
for gifts: Ministering Circle, King's
Daughters, dress, baby's bonnet;
Mrs. Col. Peters, sack apples;
Mr. Endean, sack apples; Mr. J. A.
Warnock, sack apples; Mr. F. F.
Moore, four boxes apples; St. Aidan's
Church, fruit, vegetables; Mrs. Men-
law, boy's coat; Mrs. Dr. Bryant, cake,
candy; Mrs. Duschak, twelve loaves
bread; Mr. F. D. Stackpool, baby's
pen; C.G.I.T., First Baptist Church,
cake; Police ball, jelly, cream; St.
George's Garage, groceries, fruit,
clothing, wash fit.

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REGINA, Dec. 7.—Requests that
the products of Manitoba and Alberta
breweries be banned from sale in
Saskatchewan will be made by
representatives of the Saskatchewan
Farmers' Union, who will wait upon the Provincial
Government today. It is regarded as
unfair that the Manitoba and Alberta
products should be admitted freely to
this province, while Saskatchewan
beer is banned in the two neighbor-
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Custom to Have Appropriate Garments, Queen Mother's Death Discloses

LONDON, Dec. 7.—The death of Queen Alexandra disclosed the fact that it is the custom of queens to carry a mourning outfit with them wherever they go. Queen Victoria of Spain, the Queen of Norway and the Crown Princess of Sweden did not have to go further than their trunks to select their apparel for the period of court mourning.

The merchants are expressing appreciation of the King's consideration for their trade in limiting court

mourning to three months with only two months of deep mourning.

"It is an exceedingly generous act," one merchant said, "for which we are all grateful." The command does not limit designers to preparing shade cards for the Spring, while in the busiest season for dress in London.

\$500,000 School Fire

MOUNT PLEASANT, Mich., Dec. 7.—Fire of undetermined origin early today destroyed the main building and library of the Central State Normal School here with an estimated loss of \$500,000. The destruction of the main building was very complete, with the brick walls falling. Valuable records of the institution, the school assembly rooms, a cafeteria, the extension department and the principal classrooms were destroyed.

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The Lonely House

By MRS. BELLOC LOWDNEs

LILY FAIRFIELD, young English girl, on a visit to her mother's step-sister, the COUNTESS POLDA, at her place, La Solitude, had arrived late, and before she was expected, had the Countess seem somewhat put out about it. HERBERT STUART, a young and pleasant man, who has helped make Lily comfortable on her journey.

ANGUS R.T., another travelling companion, captain in the London Scottish.

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NEWS OF THE SPORTING WORLD

Saskatoon Sheiks Continue Victorious in Hockey Race

Prairie Team Scores Another Victory at Expense of Frank Patrick's Maroons, Defeating Coast Team by Three Goals to Two at Vancouver Arena

VANCOUVER, Dec. 7.—Saskatoon evened up the series with the Vancouver Maroons by winning tonight's game, while the Sheiks thereby concluded their second hard invasion of the Coast cities with three victories to their credit and one defeat, the latter being at the hands of Vancouver last week.

Saskatoon deserved the win, as they played better hockey than their opponents. The game was an interesting one from the onlooker's standpoint, but only fair hockey.

Win in First Period

The visitors were the ones who got their first counter with less than a minute and a half to go, and the second only twenty-three seconds later. Vancouver got one in each of the second and last sessions, and only clever net binding by Hainsworth prevented the tie.

Cameron got the first score and was followed by Bill Cook on Denesney's pass. Reinikka scored the first goal for the home team, with Mickey MacKay getting an assist. The fourth score came from Bill Cook's stick and the last through Arbour.

Reinikka opened with a three-man rush, with Denesney shooting. MacKay went down to bounce one off Hainsworth's pads. Maron nearly batted in a rebound on his follow-through, and Bill Cook replied, but failed to pass for an almost certain counter. Denesney and Cameron combined for the first score, and then got the second for the fans had time to catch up with the play.

Score Better in Second Also

Saskatoon had much the better of

the play in the second period after the first five minutes, but failed to take advantage of opportunities. Vancouver woka up with Reinikka's tally but were checked too hard on the blue line. Cook secured and went down along side one that Lehman's glove and then dropped into the water on the knee.

Hainsworth made some good saves in the last period when the Maroons pelted him from all angles, but the only one that got by him was Arbour's bouncer.

The Line-Up

Vancouver	Position	Saskatoon
Lehman	Goal	Hainsworth
Moran	Defense	Cameron
MacKay	Defense	Reinikka
Boucher	Forward	Fred Cook
Arbour	Forward	Bill Cook
Reinikka	Sub.	Denesney
Bourinot	Sub.	Gordon
Waite	Sub.	Bourgault
Crawford	Sub.	Benson
Referees	Mickey Ion.	

Summary

First period—1, Saskatoon; Cam-

eron, 13-17; 2, Saskatoon; Bill Cook

Second period—2, Saskatoon; Bill Cook, 13-17; 4, Saskatoon; Bill Cook, 4-47.

Third period—5, Vancouver; Ar-

bour, 17-18.

Final score—Saskatoon 3, Van-

couver 2.

Penalties

First period—Release, 2 minutes.

Second period—Moran, 2 minutes.

Third period—Reinikka, 3 minutes.

Eagles Win Two Out of Three

Commercial League Bowling Series Featured by Frank Moore's Play

In the Commercial League bowling series played on the Arcade alleys last night the Eagles won two out of the three games played with the National Motors. The victory over the International Motors will undoubtedly be a milestone in the career of this ambitious quintette of maple smashers, as it is positively their first appearance of the season in the winning column of the scoreboard.

Frank Moore, of the Nationals, was the star individual scorer of the evening, with a total of 529 pins, being closely followed by Bill Fairall, of the Eagles, with 505. The score was as follows:

Eagles	
Fairall	145
D. Neill	137
Forster	135
T. Neill	135
Lapp	132
Total	730
National Motors	696
Moore	190
Moray	184
Robertshaw	177
Duke	117
Low Score	115
Total	757
644	656
5156	5156

Victoria Golf Club Ladies' Team Wins Sawday Cup Match

The ladies' team of the Victoria Golf Club scored a very decisive victory yesterday on the Oak Bay links in their match against the Colwood ladies' team for the Sawday Cup, winning by six matches to one, as follows:

Colwood		Victoria	
Mrs. Parker	1	Mrs. McLeod	6
Mrs. Parker	1	Mrs. McLeod	4
Mrs. Parker	1	Mrs. McLeod	4
Mrs. Parker	1	Mrs. McLeod	4
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Total	5	Total	3

The friendly match played at Colwood by the "B" team was won by Colwood by five matches to three, as follows:

Colwood		Victoria	
Mrs. Parker	1	Mrs. McLeod	9
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Winnipeg Turns Tables On St. Paul Sextette

WINNIPEG, Dec. 7.—Winnipeg defeated St. Paul 2-1 in an exciting hockey game here tonight in the Western division of the United States Amateur Hockey Association. St. Paul defeated Winnipeg 2 to 1 in the final game of the season here Saturday night.

DULUTH, Dec. 7.—Minneapolis defeated Duluth 3-1 tonight in the final United States Amateur Hockey Association game this season.

Old Country Football

LONDON, Dec. 7.—In replays from the first round of the English Football Association Cup series between Bradford, defeated Lincoln by 2-1. Heading beat Torquay 2-0. Bill Spartans and Hartlepools drew 1-1, and Kettering won from Worcester 2-0.

In a first division game of the English League, Burnley beat Birmingham 3-1. Portsmouth beat South Shields in a second division match 4-2.

Rugby Union Meeting

A meeting of the Victoria Rugby Union will be held this evening at 8 o'clock in the office of the secretary, Union Bank Building. All members are asked to attend.

Quebec Intermediates Win

TORONTO, Dec. 7.—Montreal C.N.R. Quebec champions, coming from behind, defeated Bartsie, Ontario Rugby Football Union champions in the final for the Canadian intermediate championship Saturday. The final score was Montreal C.N.R. 15, Bartsie 9.

The Cougars need points just as many as any other team does, and they want to get them as quickly as possible. They are planning to turn the tables on their guests, the Maroons, tomorrow night, and get revenge for the defeat at the hands of the Vancouver boys. They believe that the Maroons will start climbing at the expense of the Cougars, and they are anxious to show local fans that they will be right in the fight this year to retain the laurels which they captured last season.

New Regulations for Davis Cup Tennis Finals Asked by French

Want at Least Week's Rest Between Last Interzone Matches and Challenge Round—Also Ask Sunday as Players' Day of Rest

PARIS, Dec. 7.—The French Tennis Federation requested that the United States Lawn Tennis Association arrange that the least rest day shall elapse between the completion of the interzone finals and the challenge round of the Davis Cup play in 1926. The federation was influenced in its action by the near collapse of Jean Borotra and Rene La Coste at the end of last summer's Davis Cup matches

Boston Team Which Defeated St. Pats Recently



Rocky Kansas Takes Crown From Goodrich

Veteran Challenger Wins Lightweight Champion ship After Fourteen Years' Striving

BUFFALO, N.Y., Dec. 7.—Rocky Kansas of Buffalo, tonight won the lightweight championship of the Americas from Jimmy Goodrich, also of Buffalo.

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Hainsworth made some good saves in the last period when the Maroons pelted him from all angles, but the only one that got by him was Arbour's bouncer.

In a stirring fifteen-round bout, replete with action every second, the veteran challenger outscored the champion and achieved the goal he set himself to win more than fourteen years ago.

The challenger forced the fighting to a standstill in the eighth round, left to the champion's head and shaking him with left hooks, but the champion's defense stiffened in the second.

In the third round both took punishment in the in-fighting, Kansas hammering home two hard left hooks in succession.

They fought more cautiously in the fourth.

In the fifth Goodrich caught Kansas with right and lefts.

Goodrich Wild

Jimmy Wild missed frequently in the sixth, and the rights he landed did not seem to slow Kansas up any.

Goodrich boxed carefully in the seventh, and scored a left to the head and two rights to the body.

Kansas scored a right to the chin, shook the champion with a jab on the chin, but took a stiff right in return.

The champion scored hard rights to the head to start the ninth.

A left swing in the tenth caught Goodrich on the ear and staggered him. Kansas followed this with a right to the body.

Rocky Sluggers

They mixed frequently in the eleventh. Both scored strongly in the twelfth and each scored via body blow.

Kansas gained the thirteenth with hard jabs to the head. Jimmy came back with hard rights to the body and head. He staggered Rocky with a right hook.

The champion started after the challenger as the final round started and scored hard rights and lefts to the body. Kansas fought back violently.

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Ladysmith Personals

LADYSMITH, Dec. 7.—The Girls' Guild of St. John's Church will hold its monthly card party on Friday, December 11, in the K. of F. Hall, this being the last before the Christmas festivities.

A quiet wedding was solemnized at Christ Church, Vancouver, last Wednesday afternoon, when Miss A. R. Davis, who up till recently was district school nurse at Ladysmith, became the bride of Mr. Roland Hermejo, also of Ladysmith. The bride was attended by her aunt, Mrs. Agnes G. Palmer of Vancouver. The ceremony was officiated by Mr. G. W. Hene of Ladysmith. Rev. E. McGoogan, of Chalmers United Church, performed the ceremony. After a short visit in Vancouver Mr. and Mrs. Hermejo will return to Ladysmith, where they will reside.

Stabbed for "Bum Shave"

MONTREAL, Dec. 7.—Stabbed in the back with a shoemaker's knife, Emilien Ethier is in hospital at St. Vincent de Paul penitentiary. Held incommunicado in his cell, Sam M. Wilson, of Montreal, was released today in court on a charge of attempted murder. The Oriental's complaint that Ethier, the prison barber, gave him a "bum shave," is understood to be at the bottom of the affair.

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Of course, doctors have been prescribing cod liver extract in tablets under another name for several years, but it is only of late that one can walk into a drug store and get a box of these flesh producing health

Vancouver Island

Endorses Effort To Check Frauds

Vancouver Island Branch of Canadian Institute Holds Meeting in Nanaimo

NANAIMO, Dec. 7.—A meeting of the Vancouver Island branch of the Canadian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy was held here Saturday evening, with Mr. J. W. Jenson in the chair. Members and guests were present from various parts of the Mainland and Island, and interesting topics were discussed and debated with much interest. Those who addressed the gathering were Hon. William Sloan, Dean Brock, of the University of B.C.; J. D. Galloway, provincial mineralogist; J. W. Jenson, Mortimer Lamb and Mr. McEvoy.

A resolution was passed by the members in endorsement of action of the Department of Mines and commanding the Hon. William Sloan in particular, for the stand they had taken regarding their efforts to stop the misrepresentations of mining property and commanding their plan of sending our written reports on mining properties.

During the evening a musical programme was rendered by local talent and refreshments served.

Nanaimo Social News

NANAIMO, Dec. 7.—Mr. John Williams, Jr., was pleasantly surprised at his home yesterday evening to find a dozen or more of his schoolmates, which resulted in a most happy evening being spent. Prizes for a guessing competition which was held were won by Fennetta Hickman, Clement Brunt and Joseph Addison. In other contests prizes were awarded to Agnes Smith, Madge Murray and Alberta Addison.

A pleasant social evening was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wilgress-Craig Street, Saturday evening, when a large number of friends gathered to welcome the guests of honor, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Thompson of Duncan. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson were the first to arrive, followed by others in town on a charge of attempted murder. The Oriental's complaint that Ethier, the prison barber, gave him a "bum shave," is understood to be at the bottom of the affair.

Mr. Robert Swanson, of East Wellington, returned last evening from New Westminster, where yesterday

he was attacked by a man with a knife.

Humorous recitations by Miss Rita Hoare and B. Gibson were much appreciated, while the amusing sketch, "Mellow Dreamer," by members of Division One filled the hall. With the exception of "The Pantomime, 'Wid Ridin' Hood,'" produced in four scenes, the principal item on the programme, and was unanimously considered the success of the evening. The entire cast took part in a most creditable manner, while the charming costumes and pretty songs and dances, some by the principal actors and others by a chorus of the minor characters, were greatly appreciated.

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Captain Wilson, the president of the North Saanich Social Club, spoke a few words expressing his appreciation of the large audience, and inviting all present to attend the weekly activities of the club, after which the ladies of the club, while the floor was cleared for an enjoyable dance, the music being furnished by Mrs. McLean and Mr. W. Boshier, in their usual pleasing manner.

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The card parties which are held in the Club Hall on Monday evening of each week, are proving to be a popular feature, there being an increased attendance at the last party. The successful prize winners were Mrs. Lorenzen and Capt. Livesey. The supper was in the hands of Messrs. J. Peck and E. Beattie.

Forestry Men Hold Sessions Here This Week

Publicity Committee of Western Forestry and Conservation Association Sits on First Day

Convention Is Tomorrow

The Western Forestry and Conservation Association opened its proceedings in the Empress Hotel yesterday morning with a very fair representation of the various organizations which have already joined. At these gatherings the details connected with the work represented by the Association are discussed and plans laid for reaching practical results. The final two days of the conference will be given up to addresses and discussions on many important related questions.

First Meeting Here

SIDNEY, Dec. 7.—A successful and enjoyable entertainment was held in Bercuit Hall Friday, December 4, when the children of North Saanich School gave their annual pantomime and concert. There was a record attendance, the hall, which was prettily decorated in patriotic colors, being completely filled by the enthusiastic audience.

The programme opened with the singing of "O Canada" by the school, followed by a pretty play in two scenes, entitled, "The Fairy Peasants," in which the cast, consisting of Miss Nellie Bowman, little Misses Betty and Joan Thomas, Dawn Hayward, and Misses Helen, Wilfred and Helen, all showed excellent talent. Some pleasant piano solos were well rendered by Misses Kathleen Lowe, Gertrude Straight and Helen Cochran. A camp scene, by the boys of the school, which included a number of old favorite songs, delighted the audience. Little Miss J. Nichol recited prettily, while a charming Christmas greeting song was performed by six little girls.

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Patriotic calendar will be presented to the schools of Sidney, North Saanich and Deep Cove.

A cordial welcome was extended to the new member, Miss Pearkes, Mrs. Kinnaid also being proposed as a new member.

The meeting was then adjourned to the room of the National An-

them, after which a delicious tea was served by Mrs. Goddard, assisted by her mother, Mrs. Grasse.

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It was, he pointed out, in connection with all these publicity propositions that money was needed, and the organization had not the funds available. It was decided to appoint a committee to take the subject of funds for education use in connection with forest protection.

Today's Business

The proposed committee's business today includes—Air patrol: Location of stations, observation, personnel; weather work: organization, kinds of instruments, research needed; cut-over land protection: Improvement needed; slash disposal: present problems; forest fires: arrest and control; equipment: pumps, torches, tools; maintenance of camp grounds: Financing upkeep; law enforcement: place for trained police and prosecution officers; fire alarm system: Clarke-McNary law problems; recommendations to government.

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Bold Fur Thief Is Caught in Vancouver

VANCOUVER, Dec. 7.—Half an hour after burglars shattered a window in the downtown store of the New York Fur Company, early this morning and stole a window display of five valuable coats, Henry Gerlits, owner, had the police called and a thrilling chase through downtown alleys and four of the five garments reported missing. Gerlits has been formally charged with breaking and entering and is to appear in police court today. His companion studied putting up a defense. The detectives took two acquaintances of the accused into custody later this morning and booked them for investigation,

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Twenty Girl Guides Are Enrolled — Pleasant Function at Ganges Harbor

SALT SPRING ISLAND, Dec. 7.—On Friday evening an interesting ceremony took place at the Mahon Hall, Ganges, when the Lieutenant and twenty Girl Guides were enrolled by Mrs. M. E. Kinloch, divisional commissioner for Vancouver Island. At the same time the captain was the guest of the captain at 8 p.m. arrival of commissioners and formal inspection, enrollment in horseshoe formation, followed by the singing of "God Save the King."

Mrs. Kinloch gave a short address to the guides on the aims and objects of the organization, and later spoke to the mothers, telling them to extend all possible help and encouragement to their daughters in their guide work.

A large number of spectators were present at the enrolment. Towards the end of the evening the girls entertained them with some of their guide games and sing-songs. A guard of honor was formed for the commissioners, and the girls presented the captain taking the salute.

The following is a list of officers and guides of the First Salt Spring Company: Patrol leaders, Phyllis Taylor, Luis Wilson, Gladys Bonnall; guides, Shirley Wilson, Gladys and Phyllis Beech, Lorna Rogers, Dorothy Crofton, Dorothy Doreen and Dennis Frazer; Scouters, Vera Seymour, Violet Akerman, Nora Turner, Evelyn Jackson, Florence Mollett, Dora Urquhart, Muriel Liveredge, Jean Mouat.

On Thursday evening Mrs. Kinloch addressed a meeting of the Girl Guides at the Institute Hall, Fulford Harbor.

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The details of \$1,000 were principally incurred by the Dramatic Club in 1919 for electric fittings and scenery, with an additional debt of \$180 incurred last November, has now been reduced to \$80. The following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Wm. Sutherland; Vice-president, Major F. J. Turner; secretary-treasurer, Mr. R. G. Kinn; committee, Mrs. A. J. Smith, Mrs. C. Springfield, Mrs. F. Stacey, William Evans and C. L. Cropper.

Archdeacon Heathcote, of Vancouver, is the guest for a week of the Rev. A. W. and Mrs. Colline at the vicarage, Salt Spring Lake.

Mrs. E. M. Kinloch, of Shawinigan Lake, returned home on Saturday after visiting the island, where she was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. T. Jackson, of Fulford Harbor, and Captain and Mrs. V. C. Best, of Ganges.

Mrs. Reginald Liveredge has reopened her bakery business at Ganges.

Sidney Personals

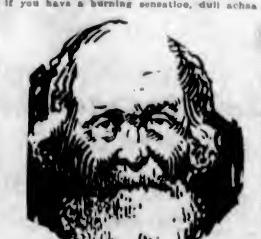
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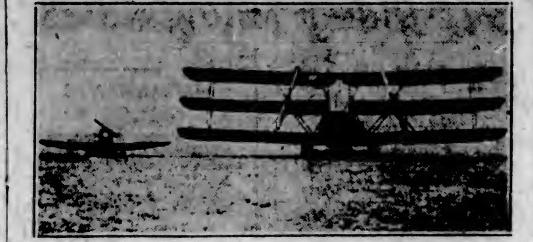
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Dishes That Won't Break Sought in Scientific Tests

The American Hotel Association, restaurant keepers and the United States Army have been gathering statistics on the cost of the breakage of dishes. The results, now announced, indicate that by doing business with crockery is expensive.

These figures show that dish destruction is one of the most costly items on the account of American hotels. One Eastern hostelry of international repute spends \$60,000 annually for dishes and glassware to replace those broken. Chicago hotel keepers report that it spends \$35,000 each year for imported chinaware alone. Hotel and restaurant managers say that they must allow for breakage of twenty per cent of their dishes each year. Those who have studied the situation say that the cost of broken dish breakage in public dining rooms in the United States could be tabulated the total would run into the millions of dollars. Breakage in homes was not computed.

The Hotel Association is now operating in experiments at the Bureau of Standards ceramic laboratory to find a way to make dishes more durable. The results of these experiments are not yet available. The army before the agitation of the Hotel Association sought to learn of better specifications for crockery. To make the present experiments productive of the widest possible benefits to industry, the scientists have included an exhaustive test of glass, window glass, plate glass and sheet glass. Architects, engineers and metal workers are watching these experiments.

Glass Testing

A machine to test glass has been constructed that is capable of exerting a pressure of 100,000 pounds. It is so built that when a bullet is fired through wire glass, a special pressure-measuring gauge keeps track of the power necessary in each case to break the glass. Apparatus contrived for determining the wind pressure on window glass may produce results of value to architects. The glass is subjected to wind pressure so regulated that it duplicates the vagaries of strong winds.

Strips of all kinds of glass used in arts and industries are also subjected to strength tests. A saddle is suspended over the unsupported middle of the glass. This saddle is connected with a swinging arm similar to the pendulum of a grandfather clock. A bullet is placed on the end of this arm, so that it will catch all the shot that flows from an adjoining shot tower when the gate is opened. The shot pouring into the bucket that rests on the scale beam, which in turn is fastened to the saddle, exerts a constantly increasing strain on the glass. When the strain reaches the shank, the bullet drops and hits a trigger that automatically stops the flow of shot. The transverse strength of the glass is determined in this way.

Strength of Crockery

In testing the relative strength of various kinds of crockery submitted by hotel associations and crockery manufacturers different methods are used. The pendulum with a steel ball attached and a scale showing distance as well as hitting power is used against the plates and an adaptation of it against the glasses and tumblers. The investigators say that a tumbler that can stand the test without breaking could be dropped from a foot upon a concrete floor without damage.

Study is also given to the "cobweb crack" that occasionally appear in dishes. Detailed tests are made with porcelain and enamel ware to determine their durability. Many thousand plates and mugs, as well as innumerable kinds of china and crockery, have been broken in the tests.

Standard Milk Bottles

A kindred investigation conducted by the Bureau of Standards is a close study of milk bottles. In the manufacture of milk bottles needless expense is incurred under present conditions because of a lack of uniformity in size and markings required by the dairy industry.

The Bureau is testing various bottles to establish specifications for the container that best meets all requirements. These standards, when established, will be the result of scientific study and mutual agreement among manufacturers, dairymen and legislators.

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The Brentwood Bay Concert Company is holding practices for "The Mikado" in the Institute Hall on Thursday evening.

Dance for Hospital

PORT ALBERNI, Dec. 7.—On Friday night a dance was held in the hall of the West Coast General Hospital. The hall was tastefully decorated with red and white streamers and shaded lights, while red crosses made appropriate wall decorations. A large and enthusiastic crowd was present and the hospital auxiliary was on hand to assist.

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Conference May Decide on Views

Insurance Men May Discuss Proposed Legislation to Be Introduced in House

The attitude of insurance men towards the legislation introduced by the Attorney-General will probably be decided at a conference of representatives of societies which have assembled here, mainly from Vancouver.

The bill amends and consolidates the whole of the law relating to insurance and is being regarded seriously by companies, who are anxious that their view be heard before the measure passes finally.

One of the chief features of insurance law is that it desire to have it amended so that the present Act provides for fire policies to be issued for three years at a two-year premium on buildings containing merchandise that is constantly changing. The desire is to have it altered to a one-year rate, they say, as far as the rates concerned. It is only a matter of adjustment.

As regards life insurance, the main question concerning the companies is that there is strong objection from all quarters to the appointment of part-time men, the argument being that men should be compelled to get a certain piece of insurance through. In small localities, the real estate man usually does the business, and the feeling is that he should be allowed to do so on part-time arrangement.

The auto insurance men have no great objection to the proposed amendment of the Act, it is learned. For them, apparently, it is only a matter of adjustment. What they object to is the danger of garages and "drive yourself" concerns acting as agents for companies without being licensed.

"Stick Up" Gambling Den

VANCOUVER, Dec. 7.—Masked and armed, two bandits entered an alleged gambling den in Chinatown at 5:30 a.m. today, "stick up" the fifteen players and gamblers and escaped with \$218 from the tables.

More than an hour elapsed from the time of the hold-up until the police reported to the authorities by George Young. A poor description was given of the bandits, whom it is thought were Chinese.

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Many Prominent People Return From Far East

Distinguished List of Passengers Arrive Here From Orient on Board Admiral Oriental Liner

Concert Party on Board

The liner President Grant had a very light first class passenger list on her eastbound voyage which came to an end yesterday. There were only forty-five first cabin passengers, but many of them were of international prominence. In the steerage accommodation there were 110 passengers. Three first class passengers debarked here.

Mr. John K. Heughan is the managing director for Mr. William Heughan's world concert tour. Mr. William Heughan is completing his world tour on this continent. The company comprises four. Mr. Heughan is a celebrated basso and dramatic actor.

Mr. Arthur is a well known marine engineer, who has been in the employ of the China Navigation Company for the past five years, and is now returning to his home in Greenock, Scotland.

Mr. Theodore Diedrichson is inspector for the Bungsund district of the Chinese Salt Bureau. He is on his way home to Latvia, Russia.

Miss Hsu, daughter of the vice-minister of the Chinese Navy, is returning to Toledo, where she will attend the Mary Manse College to continue her studies.

Mr. Shinjiro Kurokawa, formerly vice-president of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, and who is one of Japan's prominent financial and commercial men, is going to New York and London on business.

Mr. Marks Levine, who is managing director for Mischa Levitski, the famous pianist, returned to the United States after a successful tour of the Orient. Mr. Levitski is returning on the liner President Jackson and will make a tour of Pacific Coast cities.

Mr. Palmer, who is manager in Japan for the Columbia Pacific Shipping Company, is on his return headquarters in Portland on business.

Miss Anna Strong, a journalist and former resident of Seattle, is returning to her home after four years in Moscow, where she has been doing journalistic work. Miss Strong is president of the American Industrial School at Moscow.

Nearly 150 Steamers Leave U.K. Without Wireless Operators

LONDON, Dec. 7.—Twenty-five passenger ships which have left British ports since Dec. 1 without wireless operators in consequence of the operators' strike. This information was given the House today by Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister, replying to a question from George Lansbury, Laborite.

No radio stations which are to leave are expected to result from the conference. Late changes, however, may be made on some of the less important commodities moving through North Pacific ports, so as to encourage bigger volume.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—Percival R. Hill, president of the American Tobacco Company, died suddenly at his Fifth Avenue home today.

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Dec. 14, 5 P.M.

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New Regulations Governing Salmon Fishing Issued

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—New regulations governing salmon fishing off the coast of Alaska during 1926 have been approved by Secretary Hoover, effective January 1.

Acting under the provisions which reads that fishing be limited to a degree which allows at least fifty per cent of the salmon returning from the ocean to go through the nets and traps at the mouths of rivers in order to protect the salmon grounds, the Secretary has now requested that at least one mile be left between the fish traps in that area of Alaskan waters south of 68 degrees north latitude.

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A Mart for Busy Readers--House and Business Property for Sale and Exchange

This image is a collage of numerous newspaper classified ads from the early 1920s. The ads are arranged in a grid-like pattern and cover a wide range of topics. Key sections include:

- Automobiles:** Ads for Ford, Chevrolet, and Hudson cars, detailing models like the 1920 Ford Model T, 1921 Ford Model T Touring, and 1921 Hudson Super Six.
- Lost & Found:** Items such as a diamond ring, a gold chain, and a leather jacket.
- Business Directory:** Listings for various businesses including Accountants, Architects, Builders, Doctors, Dentists, Engineers, Lawyers, Plumbers, and Veterinarians.
- Real Estate:** Offers for houses for sale, rentals, and land, including specific details like room counts, prices, and descriptions.
- Other Categories:** Ads for services like Auto Repair, Dry Goods, Furniture Moving, and various personal items.

The ads are written in a dense, cursive script typical of early 20th-century printing. Many ads include small illustrations or logos related to their business, such as a car icon for an auto repair shop or a house icon for real estate.

BEST QUALITIES

DAVID SPENCER, LIMITED
Store Hours—9 A.M. to 6 P.M. Wednesday to 1 P.M.

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A Musical Programme

Being played every day in our dining-room by Mrs. A. J. Gibson, piano; Grace Grattan, violinist; Frank Balagno, 'cello, from 12 noon till 2 p.m., and from 3:30 till 5 p.m.

—3rd Floor

Girls' Bathrobes
In Gayly Patterned Beacon Cloth—Make Very Attractive Christmas Gifts

Smart New Dressing Gowns of nice fleecy beacon cloth; shown in a wide range of pretty patterns in shades of blue, grey, rose, pink, mauve and tan. Designed with or without collars and trimmed with satin bandings and silk girdle. Sizes for 10, 12, 14 and 15 years. Priced at \$5.75 to \$7.50

Sizes for 6 to 8 years. Priced at \$4.95

Neat Little Kimonos in sizes for 2 to 5 years; nice styles with collars and silk girdles; shown in light and dark shades and made from nice quality beacon cloth. Priced at \$2.95 and \$3.50

—Children's Wear, 1st Floor

**Cosy, Attractive and Stylish DRESSING GOWNS**

For Women or Misses—Useful, Acceptable Gifts, Beacon Cloth or Padded Silk

In Beautiful Colorings and Combinations—A Great Variety of Soft Shades

Bathrobes of a nice fleecy flannellette in all-over patterns of contrasting shades. Made with shawl collars and set-in sleeves, full length, with patch pockets; trimmed with silk cord piping and girdle. Sizes 34 to 44. Special each \$4.90

Beacon Cloth Dressing Gowns in pretty all-over patterns, trimmed with satin bandings and finished with silk girdle at waist. All sizes. Very special value at \$10.00

Heavy Weight Beacon Cloth Dressing Gowns, in dainty and practical colors, made with shawl collars, long sleeves and patch pockets, finished with silk girdle at waist. Sizes 34 to 44. Each \$13.90

Quilted Satin Dressing Gowns, with fancy stitching in contrasting shades; made with shawl collar, patch pockets and silk girdle. Sizes to 44. Priced at \$19.75

A Special Value in Plain Knit All-Wool CARDIGANS \$3.95

Plain Knit Light Weight Cardigans, in straight style, with two pockets; shown in plain shades of navy, fawn, pearl and black, or with contrasting stripes at bottom. Sizes 36, 38, 40 and 42. Each, special \$3.95

—Sweaters, 1st Floor

Infants' Flannel Skirts

With Silk Lace and Embroidery

\$1.00 to \$1.35

Skirts of lovely quality flannel with cotton tops; shown with plain 2-inch hem and tucks or embroidered with silk and finished with silk lace. Dainty gifts for young babies. Priced at \$1.00 and \$1.35

Infants' Flannelette Skirts, with cotton tops; skirt is finished with plain hem, scalloped or lace edge. Splendid value at \$1.00 and \$1.25

—Infants' Wear, 1st Floor

Every Demand for Christmas Gifts, Small or Great, Supplied From Our Large Christmas Stocks**Misses' and Women's Untrimmed COATS Exceptional Value Today \$27.90**

Untrimmed Velour Coats, made in smart, fashionable models, flare or with godets at sides and side effect fastening. They have gathered collars, set-in sleeves with turn-back cuffs, and all fully lined. Shades are mosque, Autumn, pinegrove, fawn and maroon. These are truly wonderful value today for \$27.90

—Mantle Dept., 1st Floor

**Rayon Silk Lingerie****Lovely Quality and Colorings**

Rayon Silk Gowns, full length, shoulder strap style; shown in shades of orchid, pink, peach, Nile and white. Each, \$3.75

Rayon Silk Teddys, open top style; shown in pink, peach, orchid and white. Tailored finish, very attractive. Priced at \$2.75

Step-Inns in plain tailored style, nice quality; shown in peach, white and pink. A pair, \$1.95

New Rayon Silk Flapper Slips, made with ample fullness at the hip, finished with two-inch pleated frill on skirt in scallop effect. Shown in pansy, dark grey, peacock, sunset and henna. Priced at \$3.75

—Whitewear, 1st Floor

Clearing Odd Lines of Women's Combinations at \$1.95 and \$1.00

With and Harvey Brand Combinations of nice quality fleeced cotton or wool mixture, not all sizes in each line. Regular values to \$4.25 for a suit \$1.95

Velva Combinations, fleeced cotton, splendid wearing quality; made with V neck, short sleeves and ankle length. Sizes 36, 38 to 44. Regular, \$1.75 for a suit \$1.00

—Knit Underwear, 1st Floor

Children's Three-Piece Sweater Sets At \$3.75

Children's Three-Piece Brushed Wool Sweater Sets, consisting of pull-over jersey, buttoning on the shoulder, overall gaiters with elastic at the waist and toe finished with pompon on top; sizes for 2 to 4 years; nice wooly garments for the cold weather; make very attractive Christmas gifts. Priced at \$3.75

—Children's Wear, 1st Floor

Hearthrugs In Practical Sizes—Special at Each \$5.00

Rich Deep Pile Hearthrugs, size 27 x 54 inches; patterned in beautiful designs. Price, each \$5.00

English Wool Reversible Rugs in discontinued designs; sizes 27 x 54 or 30 x 60 inches. Values to \$9.75. Special at, each \$5.00

—Carpets, 2nd Floor

A Bissell's Carpet Sweeper**A Gift That Means Service**

Bissell's "Champion" Carpet Sweeper. An extra \$4.95 special value, each

Bissell's "Grand Rapids," a full cyclo ball-bearing sweeper. Special, each \$6.00

Bissell's "American Queen," a superb sweeper, with all the latest improvements, metal-work finished nickel, woodwork genuine mahogany or walnut \$7.75

—Carpet Dept., 2nd Floor

Fancy Aprons**For Christmas Gifts****59c to \$1.98**

Aprons make very useful gifts and have a great assortment of pretty, as well as practical styles in cretonne and cretonne and chambrey combinations at prices ranging from 59c to \$1.98

—Whitewear, 1st Floor

Silks on Sale Today**All Great Values**

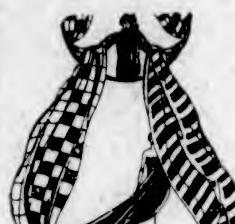
36-Inch Satin Gaufré, a fancy crinkled satin, with a brilliant sheen and suitable for dresses; shades are white, green, blue, peach and pink. Regular price, a yard \$2.25. On sale today for \$1.19

33-Inch Natural Pongee, free from filling and will make up most satisfactorily. On sale, a yard, 75¢

36-Inch Fancy Silks, in a large selection of newest colorings and designs for children's dresses or trimmings; fawn, navy, grey, rust, green, aster, red, amethyst, Copenhagen, orange and tan grounds. Regular, a yard \$2.95, for

36-Inch Silk Velveteen, with heavy close pile that will not rub off. Shades are black, navy, nigger, tan, sky, pink, turquoise, Americana Beauty, beaver and grey. On sale, a yard, 75¢

—Silks, Main Floor



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Teddy Bears 50¢, 75¢, 95¢, \$1.25, \$1.95 to \$10.00

Noah's Ark from 10¢ to \$2.50

Fretwork Sets from 95¢ to \$2.25

Whip Tops and Peg Tops, 2 for 5¢ and, each 5¢

Humming Tops 25¢, 50¢ and 75¢

—Toys, Lower Main Floor

Silks, Main Floor

Men's Dressing Gowns**Newest Designs and Shades, in Excellent Grade Cloths**

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—Men's Clothing, Main Floor

**Men's Smoking Jackets****A Thoughtful Gift for Husband or Father**

Smart looking, stylish Smoking Jackets, Canadian or English makes, with fancy roll collars and cuffs and in plain or fancy shades. Best values at \$10.00 and \$15.00

—Men's Clothing, Main Floor

Beacon Bathrobe Blankets and Robings**Gifts for Men and Women**

Beacon Bathrobe Blankets, shown in several pleasing colors and combinations; new designs; size 72 x 80 inches. Complete with girdle \$7.50

Beacon Robings in new designs and colorings, reversible; 36 inches wide. A yard \$1.25

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—Carpets Dept., Main Floor

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A large stock of Reprints by such well known writers as Peter B. Kyne, Oliver Curwood, Sheila Kaye Smith, Marie Corelli, Ethel M. Dell and Elizabeth. Priced at, each \$0.50 Or 3 for \$2.50

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"Dr. Do Little's Circus," at \$2.50

The Burgess Flower, Animal and Bird Books, at \$3.25

Tom Swift, Tom Slade, The Outdoor Girls and The Bobbsey Twins Series, per volume 60¢

—Book Dept., Lower Main Floor

**Socks****Fine Qualities for Christmas Giving**

Men's Heavy Cashmere Socks, worsted finish, all-wool; colors and black. At, a pair 50¢

Men's All-Wool Scotch Knit Fancy Worsted Rib Socks. Special, a pair 85¢ and \$1.00

Men's All-Wool Worsted Socks, imported and Canadian makes; lovat and heather shades. A pair, 50¢ and \$1.00

Men's Fine Cotton Socks, in colors and black; all sizes. A pair 25¢

Men's Fine Lisle Thread Socks, with double soles, heels and toes. A pair, 35¢ and \$1.00

Black and Navy Blue Cashmere Socks, all-wool, with fancy clocks. A pair, \$1.00

British-Made Fine Botany Cashmere Socks, with fancy stripes and checks. At, a pair 52.45

White Woolen Bed Socks, made from our own yarn; easy and warm for the old folks. A pair \$1.50

Men's Silk and Wool Socks, fancy rib and two-tone shades; 6 colors to select from. Special, a pair 75¢

Men's Fine Imported Cashmere Socks, colors and black. Special value at, a pair 75¢

Imported Army Grey Worsted Socks, 3-and-1 rib; all-wool. Special, a pair 50¢

—Men's Publishing, Main Floor